

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

ENGEL et al

Appln. No. 08/468,145

Filed: June 6, 1997

Title: OLIGOPEPTIDE LYOPHILIZATES AND THEIR PREPARATION AND USE

Group Art Unit: 1811

Examiner: B. Prickril

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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
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Washington, D C. 20231

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In response to the Office Action of January 27, 1997,  
please enter the following amendments and consider the  
following remarks, the time to respond having been extended up  
to and including June 27, 1997 by petition and fee submitted  
herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1-8 and 11 without prejudice and enter the  
following claims:

--12. A method for the preparation of sterile  
lyophilizates of gel-forming peptide salts having 3-15 amino  
acids, said method comprising the steps of

dissolving said peptide salts in aqueous acetic acid to  
form a solution,

diluting said solution with water for injection,

adding a bulking agent, and

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